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**TO:** Vaccines for Children Providers

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**SUBJECT:** VFC Update – New Order Form, Brand Choice, ProQuad® Availability, Ordering and Reconciliation

**Additional Brand Choice in the VFC Program**

Starting October 1, 2012, we will begin offering brand choice for two additional vaccines in the VFC Program.

For Tdap, you can choose between Adacel® (Sanofi Pasteur) and Boostrix® (GlaxoSmithKline), and for meningococcal conjugate vaccine we are offering Menactra® (Sanofi Pasteur) and Menveo® (Novartis). The new order form is attached to this email. Please switch to this form for your October orders and use it until further notice.

**ProQuad® in the VFC Program**

Merck has informed us that ProQuad® will once again be available in the VFC Program starting November 1, 2012. We will send out a notification and an updated order form when this occurs.


ProQuad® is a combination vaccine indicated for active immunization for the prevention of measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella in children 12 months through 12 years of age.

**Ordering and Reconciling in imMTrax**

As a reminder, VFC ordering is still through Home IV Pharmacy (not imMTrax) and the ordering window is the 1<sup>st</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. You must have reconciled your inventory in imMTrax within 14 days of your order date.

Since launching imMTrax in November 2011, we have allowed large adjustments of up to 900% of your inventory during reconciliation (figure 1). This allowance applies to when you add or subtract doses to your inventory for reasons other than administering the vaccine to a patient. When making these adjustments you must select a "reason" for the adjustment from a drop-down menu. We initially set the allowance at 900% so we could make corrections when we converted WIZRD data and to allow providers ample room for adjustment as they learned the new system.

Figure 1.

By checking this box you acknowledge that since your last reconciliation date of 08/16/2012, through data entry you have accurately accounted for your vaccine inventory. The current threshold limit is set to 900% ☐ 

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Now that we have been online for nearly a year, we will be lowering the inventory adjustment allowance from 900% to 100%. This will take affect November 1, 2012. You can make adjustments up to 100% of your inventory on hand. If you make adjustments over 100% of you inventory on hand, your account will be flagged for review. However, we ask that you manage your vaccine so that large adjustments are not necessary.

**Reminder for Integrated Sites**

Please have all data entry up-to-date before you submit your reconciliation. Once you reconcile, shots entered that were administered prior to the reconciliation will NOT deduct from your inventory.

If you are not current on data entry when you reconcile, you will have to manually adjust your inventory to match your refrigerator count. These large adjustments may flag your account for review (see topic above) and delay your order. The easiest way to avoid this issue is to have your data entry up-to-date when you reconcile.

If you have questions, please contact the Immunization Program at 444-5580 (hhsiz@mt.gov).